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SUBJECT: US-SOVIET CONSULTATIONS ON CONVENTIONAL
ARMS TRANSFERS -

SUMMARY: --

THE SOVIETS HAVE AGREED TO CONTINUE CONSULTATIONS WITH
US ON THE SUBJECT OF CONVENTIONAL ARMS TRANSFERS, PROPOSING
THAT WE MEET NEXT IN LATE MARCH OR EARLY APRIL. WE INTEND
TO PROPOSE LATE APRIL AS ALTERNATIVE DATE. END SUMMARY.

1. IN MEETING WITH VANCE ON MARCH 6TH, DOBRYNIN HANDED
OVER A NOTE SAYING THAT THE SOVIET GOVERNMENT IS WILLING
TO CONTINUE DISCUSSIONS WITH THE USG ON THE INTERNATIONAL
ARMS TRADE. THE NOTE SUGGESTED LATE MARCH OR EARLY APRIL

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AS THE DATE FOR THE NEXT MEETING, AND ANNOUNCED THAT
MENDELEVICH WOULD HEAD THE SOVIET DELEGATION WITH
P. I. GALKIN AS DEPUTY. MOSCOW OR ANOTHER MUTUALLY
AGREEABLE CITY WAS PROPOSED AS SITE FOR MEETING.

2. GELB, WHO WILL HEAD US DELEGATION WILL MEET WITH DOBRYNIN
ON MARCH 13TH TO PROPOSE LATE WEEK IN APRIL AS ALTERNATIVE

DATE FOR NEXT MEETING. HE WILL ALSO SUGGEST HELSINKI, VIENNA, OR GENEVA AS PLACE FOR MEETING, BECAUSE, WITH

EMBASSY UNDER REPAIR, MOSCOW IS INCONVENIENT FOR OUR SIDE. TO AVOID SPENDING EXTRA TIME IN NEXT MEETING EXPLAINING OUR OWN PROGRAM OF RESTRAINT, GELB WILL OFFER TO HAND OVER IN ADVANCE A PAPER ON HOW WE MANAGED US ARMS TRANSFER CEILING.

3. WE DO NOT INTEND TO TREAT THIS NEXT MEETING AS A GENERAL CONVERSATION BETWEEN US ABOUT ARMS TRANSFERS. AN INTER-AGENCY WORKING GROUP WILL BE CONSIDERING THE POSSIBILITY OF MAKING SPECIFIC PROPOSALS TO THE SOVIETS. WE WOULD APPRECIATE ANY INFORMATION THAT EMBASSY MIGHT LEARN ABOUT SOVIET PREPARATIONS FOR THIS MEETING. VANCE

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